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FM AMEMBASSY OSLO
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 6278
INFO AMEMBASSY COPENHAGEN
AMEMBASSY HELSINKI
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AMEMBASSY STOCKHOLM

C O N F I D E N T I A L OSLO 3821

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: MARR, MASS, MILI, NO, SW
SUBJ: SEDEN, VIGGEN AND US

1. THE OSLO PRESS HAS CARRIED ARTICLES RECENTLY
ABOUT SWEDEN'S UNHAPPINESS WITH THE USG
EFFORTS TO BLOCK FOREIGN SALE OF VIGGEN AIRCRAFT. DURING
A RECENT CONVERSTATION WITH THE AMBASSADOR, NORWEGIAN CHIEF OF
DEFENSE, GEN SVERRE HAMRE, WENT OUT OF HIS WAY TO UNDERSCORE
HIS CONCERN AT THE US ACTION AND ITS POSSIBLE REPERCUSSIONS
IN SWEDEN. HAMRE TOLD THE AMBASSADOR THAT IT IS IMPORTANT
FROM THE POINT OF VIEW OF NORWEGIAN SECURITY THAT THERE
BE A STRONG SWEDISH ARMS INDUSTRY WHICH WOULD SUPPORT
SWEDEN'S ROLE AS A BUFFER BETWEEN THE SOVIET UNION AND
NORWAY.

2. WE WOULD BE INTERESTED IN RECEIVING ANY INFORMATION
AMEMBASSY STOCKHOLM MAY HAVE ON THE VIGGEN SALE TO
INDIA AND SWIDISH REACTION THERETO AS WELL AS ANY
DEPARTMENT COMMENTS.

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